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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
HIDEO HONMA  
Application No.: 09/678,253  
Filed: October 3, 2000  
For: OUTPUT CONTROL METHOD  
AND APPARATUS, AND  
STORAGE MEDIUM )  
Examiner: Y. Aggarwal  
Group Art Unit: 2615  
March 19, 2004

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AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant petitions to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2003, for one month, from February 19, 2004 to March 17, 2004. A check in the amount of \$110.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

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